and conservative Republicans who disagree with and conservative Republicans who disagree with That, Sievens's interpretation of Republicanism, are prominent in this movement for an organiza-tion of the friends of the President. The name "National Union Party" will probably be adopted. Delegations of active politicians from all the North-era States will be present.

1.059 of the S. S. Leedon-How Brooke th Tragedian Died.

Twe London Times gives further details of the lose of the Steamship London while on her passage from London to Melbourne, and confirms the death

of Bhooks the celebrated tragedian:

Down into the waves, with 269 others, has sunk Gustavus V. Brooke, the tragedian, who was bound for the country which had been the scene of a reverse of fortune to him, but previously of many brilliant successes. He will be well remembered as a tall man, of powerful build, and he is stated by the rescued passengers to have excited his strength to the utmoss in helping to keep the ship affoat. The Dutch portion of the crow, if in number, refused to work, and according to the English sailors who were saved, these men went to their berths and remained there, so that the passengers had to work at the pumps wearredly for many hours with the English seamen. Mr. G. V. Brooke exerted himself incessaulty. Attired enly in a red Grimean shirt and trowsers, with no has on, and barefooted, he went backwards and forwards to the pumps until working at them was found to be useless; and when het seem—about four hours before the steamer went down—he was leaning with grave composure upon one of the of BROOKS the celebrated tragedian : forwards to the pumps until working at them was found to be useless; and when lest seem—about four hours before the steamer went down—he was feaning with grave composure upon one of the half-doors at the companion. His chin was resting upon both hands, and his arms were on the top of the door which he gently swayed to and fro, whilst he caimly watened the scene. One of the passengers who saw him has said, "He had worked wonderfully, and, in fact, more bravely than any man on board of that ship." To the steward, Mr. Brocke said, "If you succeed in saving yourself, give my farswell to the people of Melburne." The rescued men remember with gratistide and respect the efforts put forth by ministers on board. Dr. Woolley—said to he a hish-p—encouraged the passengers to work at the pumps, in which he was seconded by the stewards, who had a son on board, and cherred the passengers by her collected demeaner and constant attentions. Next must be mentioned a circumstance, the publication of which may prove to be of great importance. Mr. Munro states that a passenger named Eastwood, with whom he had been acquainted prior to the voyage, said to him, "Well, Jack, I think we are going to go." The answer was, "I hink we are, Eastwood." The reply was, "We winnot help it. There's only one thing I regret about it: of a draft for £500 on the Bank of Victoria, Ballarat. I only received £20, which I gave the chaptain in the office of Money, Wignam & Co. I should have liked my poorlather to have get the balance." The speaker was smongst toose who pershed, but fortunately and eligible to near Liverpool, the probability is that his son's wish will be fulfilled—a wish that was so forvent that Mr. Eastwood shed tears as he expressed it.

LOCAL NEWS.

NEW YORK AND THE VICINITY.

THE NEW STEWART LIBEL CASE .- The examination of Mr. George Knapp, charged with paving printed a libel against Mr. A. T. Stewar . to the St. Louis REPUBLICAN, was held at the Tombs Police Court yesterday, before Justice Dow. ling. Richard T. Co burn, one of the associate elitors of the TRIBUNE, who was charged with aving written the article in question, waive! an camination in his case, and the papers were sent the Grand Jury. Mr. Keon and R. O'Gorman-efended Knapp, and Mr. Stewart was attended by

Mr. O'Gorman, in addressing the Court, said at the defendant is President of an incorporated topany which publishes the Mesouri Rureman. These paper was unfortunated misled by a rrespondent in the city of New York, and through sorrespondent in the city of New York, and unrough the inadvertance of one of its own officials, its con-sience was so far abused as to publish an article usfaming the character of Mr. Stewart. The P.essefaming the character of Mr. Stewart. The P. ssident of the Company believes the article to be
untirue and culuminous. Supposing the article
would prove a discomfort to Mr. Stewart, the
editors of the REPUBLICAN subsequently published
what it was supposed would be a satisfactory
retraction. That article, however, it appears,
was not so accepted by Mr. Stewart. The RePUBLICAN had never been made the medium of
salumny, and Mr. Kuapp was writing that amends
should be made through the columns of his paper
as might be deemed satisfactory. Mr. Kuapp attached the deepest blame on the action of the New
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Mr. Hilson said the libellous article was published on the 15th of January, and on the 26th another article was published purporting to be a retraction, but he considered, and could prove, that the article was worse than the first one. But as they had been met in such a friendly spirit, he (counce) was willing to let the matter rest, believing that ample reparation would be made.

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Judge Hilton said he would like Mr. Knapp to remain in the city, so as to appear as a wildest before the Grand Jury when that body about the considering the propriety of finding an indentment agains Richard J. Colburn.

Mr. O'Gorman assured Mr. Hilton that Mr. Knapp would do whatever was right and proper in the matter. The parties then lett court.

TAXES COLLECTED IN ERROR, -At 2 o'clock yesterday sfternoon, about 200 representatives of the banks and insurance offices of this city ap peared before the Committee on Annual Taxes o the Board of Supervisors, to present their claims for the repayment of taxes erroneously imposed upon United States securities owned by the various institutions above named. The claims will, in the aggregate, amount to over \$1,000,000.

RAILEOAD ACCIDENTS. - Collision in Centre street -Two Horses Kill d and a Car D molished. - A colifsion occurred yesterday morn ing, between a passenger car of the 4th avenue company, and a freight car of the New Haven Railroad, which resulted in the death of the horses attached to the small car, and the injury of two or three passengers. Fortunately no persons were killed. It seems that one of the freight cars of the three passengers. Fortunately no persons were killed. It seems that one of the freight cars of the New Haven Railroad stopped in Centre street, at the corner of Walker street, and a 4th avenue passenger car, of the 4th avenue ine, was detained in consequence. Before the small car could proceed, another freight car, heavily freighted with marble, came down Centre street. At Canal street the driver stempted to stop his car, but the brakes would not work, and he detached his horses, the car proceeding with much velocity, and striking the small car with such torce as to crush it into the front car. The conductor of the passenger, and sall but two or three saceped. Those who cenamed in the car were slightly bruised. The horses attached to the passenger car were crushed to death and the car was badly injured. John Ciark, driver of the freight car, was arrested and examined by Justice Rogan. He was subsequently discharged.

Accident on the Bleecker Street Line.—
Thomas Kearney, a laborer living at No. 68
James street, was run over near the corner of Eim
and Pearl streets, yesterday afternoon, by a car of
the Bleecker street and Fulton ferry line, drivon by
Henry Bolte. One of the wheels of the car passed
over Kearney's body, and one of his teet. He was
removed to the New York Hospital. Belie, the
driver of teh oer, was arrested and desented for
axamination.

A FENIAN WINDFALL, -At a recent meeting of the 'Longshovemen's U. P. A., No. 2, at their gooms, 85 Roosevelt street, a resolution of sympathy with the cause of Irish liberty and independsee was passed, which was backed up by anothe

donating the sum of \$4,500 in aid of the cause, "to be paid to the Head Centre of the Fenian Brother bood n America "

CENTRAL PARK VISITORS AND SEATING .-The record of visitors to the Central Park for the month of January, and meluding the 1st and 2d inets., shows that skating is probably the most attractive feature of that delightful resort. The average number of visitors on foot, daily, was about 40,000, of whom 25,000 at least were skaters. The total for the month was 726,718. The largest number on any one day, was on the 27th ult, when 69,641 persons entered the Park, on foot, and the smallest number who entered there on any skating day was on the 12th uit, when 3,691 persons enjoyed themselves—the skating being done on the Hariem lake only. 3,122 equestrians and over 45,000 cerriages and other vericles on wheels, and 47,000 sleighs, visued the Park during the same period. On every day, except the first seven, the 16th and 25th of January, there was skating on the Park ponds, and good sleighing in the roads around and beyond. The Commissioners keep the ponds in good order, and on dark nights illuminate them. During the past week, over 250,000 persons visited the Park lakes, of whom about 225,000 were skaters.

During the same period (last week) 80,000 persons visited and eajoyed the sports on the Fifth Avenus Pond. To morrow there will be a ladies' contest at this pond for a gold metal, which the proprietor will give to the best skater. A similar contest and prize will be offered to gent ensu on Saturday.

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A grand filtumination and "shadow dance," produced by means of calcium lights, will be given on Sylvan Lake, Hoboken, to-morrow evening. A carnival walke, Hoboken, to-morrow evening. Bunkwick Avenue. Brooklyn, this evening, and a masquerade at Chichester's.

VACCINATION .- By reference to an advertisement published in another column, it will be seen that Mayor Hoffman gives notice to all per sons who require to be vaccinated, that they can be attended to upon application to either of the dispensaries described in the advertisement.

DEATH'S IfARVEST .- There were 458 deaths in this city last week -- a decrease of 36 from the previous week, and of 15 as compared with the corresponding time in 1865. Of the deceased 221 were children under five years of age. The mor tality by the principal diseases, were as follows-Consumption, 64: infantile convulsions, 45: in flammation of the lungs, 29; dropsy in the head, 227; infantile debility, 21; croup, 14; infantile marasmue, 34 : typhoid fever, 14; scarlet fever 18; inflammation of the brain, 24; dyptheria, 15; inflammation of the bawels, 12; disease of the bear', 10.

FLOATING ICE .-- There is a great amount of floating ice on the North and East rivers -so much so that boats have great difficulty in making their way down and up.

RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS .- In connection with the several churches in the vicinity union religious services are held every afternoon, at 4% o'cleck, in the lecture room of Rev. Dr. Thompson's Tabernacle Church, corner of 34th stree and Boadway. Similar meetings have been started where people least expect them, and one has of late been in successful operation in a large double tenement house in 87th street near 8th avenue, every Monday evening, which is well attended by the tenants and a few out-

COLUMBIAN INSURANCE COMPANY - The third meeting of the Stockholders was held vester day afternoon at 111 Broadway, to the number of about three hundred. Most of them discussed their losses in an excited manner. One gentleman remarked that by judicious management of the Company's affairs thirty per cent, on his invest-ment might yet be realized. Since Saturday last about one thousand polices have been can-

At half-past 3 o'clock Mr. Phillips was called to the chair, and read a letter from the Directors, apologizing to the Stockholders for not giving them proper and timely information of the affairs of the Company, and declaring that the crash was as unexpected to them as it was to the public; that they knew nothing of it until the 22d uit, when the President of the Company announced the fact. They say they would at that time have communicated with the Stockholders, but that one of the largest of them had then taken measures to hand the affairs of the Company over to a Receiver. The melting away of the capital they say was caused by the enormous losses they were subjected to, but they hope to be able to pay a considerable balance to the Stockholders, and they ask the latter to have a little patience with them.

The letter was laid on the table. A gentleman asked if the Stockholders were responsible for the liabilities of the Company, as an insimution to that effect appears it to be contained in the letter. To Chairman resided that Stockholders were only At half-past 3 o'clock Mr. Phillips was called to

The Chairman replied that Stockholders were only responsible for the amount of their stock. A resolution was then adopted, and directing that disintenessed parties investigate the matters of the Company. The following gentlemen were appointed a Committee of Investigate in Messrs. Bigert, Condict, Ogden, Tuiter, and Worke,—Adjourned.

SINGULAR ACCIDENT-A MAN KILLED BY A FALLING CEILING .- Coroner Gover held an inquest yesterday upon the body of Daniel McCarty, a carpenter, who was fatally injured as 175 and 177 F ret avenue, on the 29th ult. At the time the accident occurred, McCarty, John McQuade and several others, were at work at the above place, preparing to take down a false ceiling, when the wall fell and buried the men beneath it. The men were badly injured. McCarty died at his residence on Sunday. At the inquest, it appeared that the nails used in securing the false ceiling were very small and much rusted. The jury consured the proprisety of the prepared. were very small and much rusted. The jury consured the proprietor of the premises, Mr. W. D. Gregory, for not properly notifying the workmen of the dangerous cendition of the ceiling. Deceased was a native of Leland, and twenty-nine verys of are. years of age

FIRES. - About 7 o'clock last evening a fire broke out on the second floor of No. 77 Rutger Slip, occupied as a sail loft by Nelson & Baker. Damage shight.

Damage shout \$1,000; insured. The building owned by James Hitrock, was damaged about \$500; fully insured. About half-past 9, a fire occurred at No. 203 Washington street. It was exunguished by a few pails of water by officers Edward Kerney and Terry of the 7th Precinct. Damage slight.

CITY GOVERNMENT-BOARD OF ALDER-THE CONTEST IN THE EIGHTH ALDERMANIC DISTRICT THE STANDING COMMITTERS, ETC., ETC .- The Board met yesterday. A resolution was adopted, instruction the Coroners to advertise in two or more daily newspapers, a full description of all unknown dead persons upon whom inquests may be baid.

be heid.

The Committee to whom was referred the claim of Peter McKnight to the seat in the Board at present occupied by Alderman William L. Ely, reported against such claim, and the Board adopted a resolution recognizing Mr. Ely as a member of the Board from the Eighth Aldermanic District.

A resolution was adopted increasing the salaries

Chair announced the following as the

The Chair announced the following as the Standing Committees for the present year:

AUTS AND SCHROOSS—Aid, Gedney, O'Brien and Van Voorhies. CROION AQUEDUOT—Aid, Shannon, Flynn, Cohway. Frances—Aid, Moore, Loema Vanuum, Finame—Aid, O'Brien, Shannon, McGinnis, Lamps and Gas—Aid, Eyers, McBrien, Ely. Lambs and Places—Aid, Eyers, Gedney. Law Dep'r—Aid, Varnum, Ryers, Loema Maurers—Aid, Flynn, Moore, Norton, Printing ARD Advertising—Aid, Coman, Norton, O'Brien, Pointo Health—Aid, Van Voorhies, Masierson, Varnum, Espains and Supriles—Aid, Rielly, Shannon, Gedney, Roads—Aid, Masierson, McGinnis, Van Voorhies, Salakies and Oyfilozss—Aid, Mirch, Moore, Rielly, Shwers—Aid, Norton, Reilly, McBrien, Whaeves—Aid, Loum, Flynn, Eiy,

The Board took up for action the ordnance mak ing additional appropriations (amounting to \$23, 000) for the Croton Department in repairing sewers, etc. Adopted. Adjourned to Monday next.

BOARD OF COUNCILMEN-THE BUILDINGS OF THE NEW JERSEY CENTRAL R.R. CO .- MORE STRINGENT QUARANTINE REQUIATIONS, ETC .- This Board also

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Mr. Kaech offered a resolution directing the Street Commissioner to notify the New Jersey Central R. B. Co. to remove all the buildings and ferry bouses erected on Piers Nos. 14 and 15, North River, and in case the said company fall to comply with the duties of the Street Commissioner, the Corporation Counsel is directed to prosecute the Company for the expense of the said removal.

The Board concurred with the Aldermen, calling upon the members of the Legislature from this city, to pass a bill, requiring more stringent Quarty.

upon the members of the Legislature from this city, to pass a bill, requiring more stringent Quarantine regulations, particularly relating to sick and indigent female passengers.

In reply to a resolution of inquiry, the Corporation Counsel sent in a communication giving it as his opinion that the Eighth Avenue R. R. Co. have no legal right to charge more than five cents fare for one passenger to the end of their route. Referred to Committee on Railroads. Adjourned.

LECTURE.—Archbishop Spaulding, of Baltimore, will lecture the

more, will lecture, this evening, at St. Stephen's Church, East 28th street, for the benefit of the poor under the care of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

SERIOUSLY BURNED,-A married woman SERIOUSLY BURNED,—A married woman n med Ann Masterson, of No. 252 West 25th street, while about her domestic duties last evening, had her clothes take fire from a furnace. She was very dangerously turned about the body and lower limbs. Faken to the Jews' Hospital.

ment passed through the city, yesterday afternoon, on their way to Portland, where they will be mustered out. They are commanded by Bt. Brig.-Gen. Hill. MILITARY. - The Fourteenth Maine Regi-

SOCIAL CLUB, -The third annual reception of SOCIAL CLUB, —The third annual reception of this club will take place at Irving Hall, on Wednes-day evening, 7th instant. Gentlemen are expect-ed to go accompanied by ladies, without whom there annot be much improving sociability any-

THE COURTS.

THE PORTER-STOVER CASE .- The case of D. M. Porter against Henry Stover came up again yester-day in the Superior Court, before Justice McCunn,

when Counsel for the Piaintiff applied for a commission to eramine winesses in boston and Worcester, Mass, as to the character of the defendant accompanying the motion, with an affidavit of D. M. Perter reflecting on the character of Henry D. Stover in very severe terms. After reading the stidisvit the Court decided that it would deay the motion, and order the Cierk to expunge the affidavit in person in consequence of its indecent, scurrious and ungenticmantite language.

Court yesterday, the case of Mr. Carland against the Third Avenue R. R. Co., came up before Justice McCunn. This was an action arising out of the col-lision between a Third avenue car and a Hariem freight ear, at the point of junction of the road. The plaintiff was riding down in the I hird avenue car, and sot a severe out on the head, and his nervous system received a shock. The desence was that the plaintiff himself was guilty of negligonos. The jury gave him a verdlet of \$500. OPENING OF THE COURT OF OYER AND TREMINER A HEAVY SEVERAL AND ACCOUNTS AND TREMINER

-A HEAVY SENTENCE. - At the opening of the Court of Oyer and Terminer, yesterday morning, Judge Barnard delivered the usual charge to the Grand Jury, and ordered the jurors ta be dismissed to their Jury, and ordered the jurers to be dismissed to their rooms. The Oyer and Terminer calendar was then called, and cases set down for various days, the Oram murrier trial being set for Monday next, and the case of the owners of the Arrow for the 14th Inst. The case of the People against John Conyss was then called on for trial. The prisoner was indicted for stealing a pocket-book containing \$18, from the person of William O'Conneil. The evidence showed that the prisoner got on the car which O'Conneil was driving, and took the book from his pocket. The pocket-book was subsequently found on the prisoner, but not the money, it appeared that the prisoner had formerly been convicted for burglary, sorved out part of a sentence for that crime, and been parout part of a sentence for that crime, and been par-doned out. The jury found him guilty, and the Court sentenced him to imprisonment for nine years and six months in the State Prison.

COURT OF GENERAL SECSIONS.—The February term of the Court of General Sessions was opened vesterday, city Judge Russell presiding. The grand jury was empannelled and discharged for one week. Joseph Pryor, an old hotel thief, pleaded guilty to grand larceny. Kate Kelley, pickpocket, pleaded guilty to grand larceny. Henry Gross, pleaded guilty to a assault and battery. The prisoners were remanded.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE .- Theft of Silks .- Edward Drum was arraigned before Justice Dowling, yesterday, on a charge of having \$800 worth of silks belong day, on a charge of having \$500 worth of sliks belonging to Mr. Ferdinand Meressiry, of 140 Duane street.
The complainant paid the duties on the sliks at the
Custom House, but never received them. Sliks
answering the description of those stolen, were found
in the store of Mr. Doyle, No. 267 Grand street.
Doyle said he purchased the slik of Drum, and showed
a bill for the same. Loyle was arrested on a charge
of receiving stolen goods, and both prisoners were
held for examination.

Arrest of Juvenila Burglars .- James Rodgers Daly, Francis Rafferty, Barney Tighe and Robert Carroll, whose ages range from 14 to 16 years, were arraigned before Justice Ledwith, yesterday, on a charge of having entered the residence of Thos. Robert Carroll, whose ages range from 14 to 15 years, were arranged before Justice Ledwith, yesterday, on a charge of having entered the residence of Thos. M. Sinciair, No. 518 West 16th street, on Sunday nicht, and stealing therefrom \$25 worth of property. They seknowiedged their guilt and gave up the property. The prisoners were committed for trial.

They of Whiskey,—John Schon and George Horn were arrested by officers Paret and Melien, on a charge of having stolen \$1,000 worth of whiskey from Mr. George C. Schnapel. No. 9 James street. Justice Hogan committed the prisoners for trial.

Brooklyn.

BROOKLYN COURTS .- A Special Term of the Supreme Court was commenced yesterday before Judge Barnard. The Criminal Term of the City Court was also commenced before Judge Reynolds and Supervisors Bloom and Maggrothy. The February Term of the Circuit Court will be commenced on aday next, the 12th inst.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BALL .- The 28th annual ball of the Brooklyn Fire Department, (Western District) took place at the Academy of Music last night, and was attended by thousands of persons The Academy was finely deccrated with various devices, emblematical of the char table object of the Association; among them the supresentation

of Inspectors of Street Pavements from \$2 to \$3 of a female dispensing aid to orphans, which occupied a conspicuous place at the top of the procession. The name of every fire apparatus. engines, been and book and ladder companies, were onspicuously displayed about the dress circle and being ernamented with American flags, presented a a canopy composed of American flags, and presented a handsome sight. Two bands were in attendance -Dodworth's, which played the opening airs and for the promenade, and the Brooklyn Band, which furn shed music for the dancing. The total sum of the fund now amounts to \$66,000, to which some \$4,000 was added last night. All the arrangements of the ball were well managed, and to all appearances every

thing passed off pleasantly,
BROOKLYN COMMON COUNCIL.—The Board met last evening, and heard a report in favor of lighting the streets from sunset to early morn. lighting the streets from sunset to early morn. The committee was ordered to negotiate with the Gas Companies to attend to the master. A communication was received from the Superintendent of the Truant Home, asking for supplies. The Law Committee reported adversely to selling the City Point property, and in layer of putting it in better order. A resolution was appointed authorizing the appointment of a City Warden at a salary of \$1.740 per annum to look after the storage of petroleum and other combustibles. The Mayor sent in the names of a number of candidates for members of the Board of Education, upon which no action was had previous to adjournment.

POETRY.

Winter Wooine

Down through the wintry woodlands As to the mere we go,
Red berries we see of the holly-tree,
And pearls of the mistletce;
And the ice is smooth for skaters,
For the winds have swept the snow;

For the winds have swept the snow;
And a maiden divine o'er the hyaline
Flos fast, with cheeks aglow—
Like a marvellous bird, whose plumage gay glitters in Eastern skies;
Oh, to follow her swirt, upon keel of steel, and woo her as she flies!

Bright hair and gay apparel
Stream back as she meets the breeze:
And away she has shot like a fairy yacht
On the blue soft summer seas;
For the keen North Wind's her woer;
But she with dainty ease
From his rough grasp alips ere her waist he clips
With an arm that to bind must freeze.
There's a laugh on the daring darling's lip, and
joy in her bright brown eyes;
Ob, to follow her swift upon keel of steel, and woo
her as she flies !

HIDDEN TREASURE

An Irish Fairy Tale.

An unaccountable stupor arrested his steps—he passed his hand over his brow in vain. By a violent effort he sprang over the bubbling brook, but it seemed as though he had entered a charmed circle. Nothing could control his drowainess; the winking stars became paler and more pale; the winds whispered the softest music through the trees; the ar was warm and perfumed; he endead closed, and at last, completely overcome by "the drowsy god," he sank beneath the shelter of the rock, his head resting upon the "dreaming-stone," which, covered as it was by a deep bed of the softest moss, was as soothing and refeshing a pillow as a weary man could desire. But however much overcowered, when he laid down his head, George O'Brien declared he found it impossible to alsep when once fairly resting on the moss. But if he found it impossible to sleep, he found it also as impossible to move—he was apell-bound—everything painful or unpleasant passed from his memory, which was rendered pure, and gentle, and docle as the mind of a little child. All that he had head and loved in his infancy was with him in that perfect and entire repose which his resiless spirt inside for the first time; and as the moments passed, elevated by a new nature, all was peace. Gradually a veil of miss, soft and transparent descended from the brow of the everhanging rock, and curtained him round about; and although another manner of spirit possessed him, he still restained enough of the apprit of the old world, to wonder if he abould really dream or learn aught of the "hidden treasure" which tradition said should one day be revealed to whichever of the O'Briens was most worthy the revelstion—provided he sought the mysterious knowledge on the "dreaming-stone." This idea seemed gradually to take possession of his imagination, over whelming all other thoughts. It was rather a curt

It was rather a curiosity to discover what he feared would not be revealed, than any desire to profit
by the red bars of gold or jewelled plase, which
every one said had long been concealed "somewhere" shout his ancestral cassle; it was a species
of ambition to learn to unravel mystery, to seek
and find that which had been lost, to say, "I have
been chosen from among many to do this thing,"
The idea of its being superstituous never occurred
to him, nor did he, for a moment, think how the
mist folded itself in such graceful ever moving
drapery around his couch, as if invisible hands
arranged and re-arranged it for his enjoyment. By
degrees the forms so busied became apparent, ourlined in the most delicate tracery, as they floated
from beneath the waving fern, or rounded into perfect beauty from out of the full-bosomed roses that
clustered teside the "draming-stone" transparent,
fragile, delicate things they were as they mingad
together in fantasic movements, tinted by the tone
or hus of the flowers that gave them shelter. Some,
smaller than the rest-indication of life, rather
than life itself—seemed born of the purple heath;
others, of the eiastic harebel; others, severe looking elves, with a certain air of seif graulation,
showing a trifling degree of pretty scorn for their
companions, were the centicate of a Scottish thistle; while those more particularly of his own land,
green and gay as grasshoppers, sporting in emblematic trios green and gay as grasshoppers, sporting in e matic tries

"To one thing constant never,"-

enlivened his imagination, and quickened his image, by their rapid and clastic movements.

Many, of a sedate dignity, came and went with diadems on their brows; others with wands which Many, of a sectate dignity, came and went with diadems on their brows; others with wands which they seemed to have the power of elongating at pleasure. There were few, if any, of the ordinary mischiefs supposed to belong to fairyland, the diminustive gnomes and little mocking sprites; few distorted or robbed of their fair proportions; no master how minute they were, their tiny forms were well defined and full of grace and motion; and the last troop that gathered around him seemed more intent on pleusing the "child of earth" who had come among them, than on sporting with each other. And yet there were some—and those, too, came nearest to the young man, bending above his brow, and raising the curls that cluster-eliround his head—who looked at him with earnest eyes, in which there was an expression of the deepest interest—an interest devoid of jest, a solemn, deep expression, as though they knew the past, and would fain direct him as to the future; and, soft as the whispering of the south wind, questions were breathed into his ears which he had not the power to reply to.

At last, after the moon had sunk and the stars disappeared, or become fainter still more faint in the expanse around them, it seemed that those benevolent spirits comprehended his desire, for he heard strange, unearthly whispers repeating, "Hidden treasure, hidden treasure!" And while all retreated and continued wreathing themselves above and around the rock, or swinging to and froupon their favourite flowers, or bathing in the stream that murmured on its way, or caught the dew-drope, and by some wonder-ul alchemy, converted them into solid gems,—one of tall and majestic stature (or fairy) avanced to the young man's side, and beut the wand she carried in her hand over his eyes. It looked at a distance like a silver rod, but he found it was only a line of light.

hand over his eyes. It looked at a distance like a silver rod, but he found it was only a line of light; silver rod, but he found it was only a line of light; and gave him the power of seeing all things con-tained in the secret vaults of his family. The ru-mour went that much treasure had been hidden in the sullen chambers where the great shut in their lodies to moulder in proud and ghastly solitude; and he looked there, but there was nothing, excep

bones, heaps on heaps of bones, round which the ceremeans of the grave mouldered, with here and there a jewel, or a chain of gold, or a stray white pearl, but so treasure beyond that I and if there had been, he would not have despoiled the crackling relace of humanity of what they most toolubly held sedear. It was refreshing to escape these gloomy charnel houses; his wandering spirit shudderingly returned to its dwelling, and was graded to be again with the fleids and flowers. "None there!" murmured the fair lady: "no fit place to seek treasures from amid our barried ancestors—none there. Again!" And again the wand of light passed ever his even, and the foundations of the rade fortreas, its prisons, its secret passages, its labyrints were traversed, concurrents nothing save headless arrows, a notched battle-axe—and then, in a square cell, one end of a hug- rusty chain was festened to the wall, and a long rusty chain was festened to the wall, and a long rusty chain was festened to the wall, and a long rusty chain was festened to the wall, and a long rusty chain was festened to the wall, and a long rusty chain was festened to the wall, and a long rusty chain was festened to the wall, and a long rusty chain was festened to the wall, and a long rusty chain was festened to the wall, and a long rusty chain was festened to the wall, and a long rusty chain was festened to the wall, and a long rusty chain was festened to the wall, and fragments of cheed of sin and death! On and on, carefully too, for his hore of gain had rousel him to exertion; but no treasure—not enough of gold or silver coin to fill an infant's hand. Faisquei and worn by disappointment, his spirit came back, as is were, to his breathing home, and then the farry smilled and sind, "Beneath the waters sively!" And the wand sgain did its belest; but fruitless was the search beneath the lake, —no hidden treasure there; nothing tellow the waters but the long entwining roots of the aquatic planta, and then the sory of the "wall," "You have hidden treasure same heads of the sour and to the sold line, drowning

And she circled his head with her wand of light, and, as it were, the "BIDDEN TREASURE" of the refined gold and jewelled worth, heaved up and stored away in idleness within the secret recessed in his own mystic frame, were laid bare unto nimself. His astonishment increased at the magnitude—he had no words to express his wonder at their immensity—he could not comprehend why he had not before turned his eyes upon his times self. See you not." she continued while waving ber

"See you not," she continued while waving her wand around him—"see you not these treasures, "hidden" now no longer, waiting but to be used, ready to leave their prison-house, and joy in light, and life, and activity—the source of wealth and station, power and independen e, to yourself, and of good to all within and far beyond your sphere? These are the hidden treasures of—"
"Oh, Masther George!—Masther George, dear! I couldn't help waking you, you looked of happy and such a smile, sweet as an angel's upon your lips. I know your dream's for good—only the sam shouldn't touch the dreamer's lids, for in he does, he steals the dream and the dew together. So I woke you, dear, and so night we'll have the treasure up."

"Not quite so seen as that," said George,
"though resaure we certainly shall have, Corney—sound, healthy treasure, in abundance."
"I told you so—I told you so," cried the old
man, rubbing his hands. "But why not to-

the earth, but is abroad-hving-breathing. I feel it now."

it now."

orney feared his dear young master had gone
ed; but he was wrong. He had found his crazed; but he was wrong. He had found his senses with the hidden treasure; and a few years of hard labour proved to him and to his faithful Corney that truth may be found on a "dreaming-stone."

THE END.

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